

awareness about the barrage of scams that individuals age 65 or older (referred to in this resolution as “seniors”) in the United States face in person, by mail, on the phone, via text message, and online;

(3) recognizes that law enforcement agencies, consumer protection groups, area agencies on aging, and financial institutions all play vital roles in—

(A) preventing the proliferation of scams targeting seniors in the United States; and

(B) educating seniors about those scams;

(4) encourages—

(A) the implementation of policies to prevent scams targeting seniors; and

(B) the improvement of efforts to protect seniors from those scams; and

(5) honors the commitment and dedication of the individuals and organizations that work tirelessly to fight against scams targeting seniors.

SENATE RESOLUTION 656—DESIGNATING MAY 2022 AS “OLDER AMERICANS MONTH”

Mr. KELLY (for himself, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. CASEY, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Mr. RUBIO, Ms. WARREN, Mr. SCOTT of Florida, and Ms. ROSEN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 656

Whereas President John F. Kennedy first designated May as “Senior Citizens Month” in 1963;

Whereas, in 1963, only approximately 17,778,000 individuals living in the United States were 65 years of age or older, approximately ⅓ of those individuals lived in poverty, and few programs existed to meet the needs of older individuals in the United States;

Whereas, in 2021, there were more than 55,847,953 individuals who were 65 years of age or older living in the United States, and those individuals accounted for 16.8 percent of the total population of the United States;

Whereas, during the COVID-19 pandemic—

(1) more than 743,016 individuals in the United States who were 65 years of age or older have died due to COVID-19; and

(2) more than 200,000 residents and workers in long-term care facilities, including more than 154,000 in nursing homes, have succumbed to the virus;

Whereas approximately 11,150 individuals in the United States turn 65 years of age each day;

Whereas, in 2021, more than 8,868,000 veterans of the Armed Forces were 65 years of age or older;

Whereas older individuals in the United States rely on Federal programs, such as programs under the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 301 et seq.), including the Medicare program under title XVIII of that Act (42 U.S.C. 1395 et seq.) and the Medicaid program under title XIX of that Act (42 U.S.C. 1396 et seq.), for financial security and high-quality affordable health care;

Whereas the Older Americans Act of 1965 (42 U.S.C. 3001 et seq.) provides—

(1) supportive services to help individuals in the United States who are 60 years of age or older maintain maximum independence in the homes and communities of those individuals; and

(2) funding for programs, including nutrition services, transportation, and care management, to assist more than 10,000,000 older individuals in the United States each year;

Whereas, as local aging network leaders, Area Agencies on Aging are critical partners in the healthy aging continuum;

Whereas, in 2021, an estimated 6,634,000 individuals in the United States who were 65 years of age or older continued to work as full-time, year-round employees;

Whereas older individuals in the United States play an important role in society by continuing to contribute their experience, knowledge, wisdom, and accomplishments;

Whereas older individuals in the United States play vital roles in their communities and remain involved in volunteer work, the arts, cultural activities, and activities relating to mentorship and civic engagement; and

Whereas a society that recognizes the success of older individuals and continues to enhance the access of older individuals to quality and affordable health care will—

(1) encourage the ongoing participation and heightened independence of older individuals; and

(2) ensure the continued safety and well-being of older individuals: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates May 2022 as “Older Americans Month”; and

(2) encourages the people of the United States to provide opportunities for older individuals to continue to flourish by—

(A) emphasizing the importance and leadership of older individuals through public recognition of the ongoing achievements of older individuals;

(B) presenting opportunities for older individuals to share their wisdom, experience, and skills with younger generations; and

(C) recognizing older individuals as valuable assets in strengthening communities across the United States.

SENATE RESOLUTION 657—DESIGNATING MAY 16, 2022, AS “OLDER AMERICANS MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS DAY” TO RAISE AWARENESS OF THE MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS OF OLDER ADULTS

Mr. CASEY (for himself, Mr. SCOTT of South Carolina, Mr. BLUMENTHAL, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. RUBIO, Mr. KELLY, and Mr. BRAUN) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 657

Whereas May 2022 is both “Older Americans Month” and “Mental Health Awareness Month”;

Whereas the population of individuals age 56 or older increased from 39,600,000 in 2009 to 54,100,000 in 2019 and is projected to reach 94,700,000 in 2060;

Whereas 20 percent of older adults suffer from a mental health condition, such as depression, anxiety, bipolar disorder, or serious mental illness;

Whereas older adults had a higher risk of suicide compared to other age groups in 2020. In fact, during that year—

(1) individuals age 85 or older had the highest rate of suicide among all age groups; and

(2) individuals age 75 to 84 had the second highest rate of suicide among all age groups.

Whereas, according to the American Psychological Association, older adults underutilize mental health services because of service constraints, limited awareness, or a stigma surrounding mental health;

Whereas the opioid crisis and the COVID-19 pandemic have negatively impacted the behavioral health of older adults;

Whereas aging could possibly lead to social and physical changes that may increase vulnerability to substance use disorders;

Whereas poor mental health and substance use disorders reduce life expectancy among

older adults and increase the risk of adverse health outcomes and conditions, such as heart disease, dementia, and diabetes;

Whereas mental health disorders for older adults, especially depression and anxiety, are major contributors to and exacerbate social isolation;

Whereas mental health diagnoses drive spending in the Medicare and Medicaid programs for an already high-cost population;

Whereas spending for individuals with a mental health disorder is more than twice that for individuals who are eligible for both such programs without such a diagnosis;

Whereas more than one-tenth of individuals age 65 or older binge drink, which is defined as drinking 5 or more drinks on the same occasion for men or 4 or more drinks on the same occasion for women; and

Whereas by 2030, the United States will need 5,790 more geropsychologists to meet the needs of older adults in the United States, highlighting the need for outreach to increase availability of trained specialists: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates May 16, 2022, as “Older Americans Mental Health Awareness Day”;

(2) recognizes the unmet mental health and substance use disorder needs of older adults;

(3) recognizes the need for a robust mental health and substance use disorder workforce trained in the unique needs of older adults to screen, assess, and intervene as appropriate; and

(4) recognizes the need to advance bipartisan solutions to address the mental health needs and substance use disorder needs of older adults.

SENATE RESOLUTION 658—DESIGNATING JUNE 6, 2022, AS “CASA/ GAL VOLUNTEERS’ DAY”

Mr. BROWN (for himself, Mr. YOUNG, Mr. LANKFORD, Ms. ROSEN, Mr. BRAUN, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BOOKER, Mrs. SHAHEEN, and Mr. GRASSLEY) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 658

Whereas Court Appointed Special Advocate (referred to in this preamble as “CASA”) and Guardian ad Litem (referred to in this preamble as “GAL”) volunteers advocate nationwide for the best interests of children before courts in cases with allegations of abuse or neglect;

Whereas CASA and GAL volunteers advocate for the best interests of children by relying on guiding principles that recognize the importance of equity, diversity, inclusion, collaboration, and family preservation and reunification;

Whereas more than 216,000 children in the United States enter the foster care system, through no fault of their own, due to allegations of abuse or neglect and rely on adults to advocate on their behalf;

Whereas CASA and GAL volunteers, appointed by a judge—

(1) provide the court with the comprehensive and objective information the court needs to make the most well-informed decisions and help ensure positive outcomes for children, youth, and families; and

(2) take time to build meaningful and authentic relationships with such children, youth, and families;

Whereas research shows that when a CASA or GAL volunteer is assigned to a case, outcomes are strengthened for children and families, a higher number of services are ordered, and children are significantly less likely to reenter the child welfare system, perform better academically and behaviorally, and have higher levels of hope;

Whereas, in January 1974, Congress enacted the Child Abuse Prevention Treatment Act (42 U.S.C. 5101 et seq.);

Whereas the Child Abuse Prevention Treatment Act provides financial assistance to States for the prevention and treatment of child abuse and neglect and includes a requirement that in every case a GAL must be appointed to represent the best interest of the child;

Whereas such GAL requirement was subsequently amended to provide that the GAL may be an attorney or a court-appointed special advocate;

Whereas, today, CASA and GAL volunteers span 49 States and the District of Columbia, including 950 State organizations and local programs, and more than 94,000 volunteers offer their services to nearly 250,000 children, youth, and families; and

Whereas 2022 marks the 40th anniversary of the National CSA/GAL Association for Children: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) designates June 6, 2022, as “National CASA/GAL Volunteers’ Day”; and

(2) commends CASA and GAL volunteers for their dedication and hard work in advocating for the best interests of children so that every child who has experienced abuse or neglect can be safe, have a permanent home, and have the opportunity to thrive.

SENATE RESOLUTION 659—HONORING THE MEMORY OF ADEN SPENCER PERRY

Mr. RUBIO (for himself and Mr. SCOTT of Florida) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 659

Whereas Aden Spencer Perry was born on December 11, 2004;

Whereas Aden was a junior at Western High School in Davie, Florida, where he excelled academically;

Whereas Aden received the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Award for Mathematics and Science and achievement awards in Advanced Placement Calculus AB, Advanced Placement English Literature, and Advanced Placement Capstone Research and was accepted into the National Honor Society;

Whereas Aden was set to graduate at the top of his class;

Whereas, on April 19, 2022, while walking with his mother in Sunrise, Florida, Aden witnessed a car crash into a lake and, without concern for his own safety, jumped into the water to assist the driver;

Whereas Aden exhibited honor in this selfless act for a stranger;

Whereas the lives of both Aden and the driver of the vehicle were tragically cut short;

Whereas Aden brought joy to all who knew him;

Whereas Aden was a skilled pianist and aspired to become a neurosurgeon;

Whereas, in recognition of Aden’s selfless and heroic act, on May 10, 2022, Mayor Michael Udine posthumously awarded Aden with the Broward County Medal of Valor; and

Whereas May 10 will now be Aden Perry Day in Broward County: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) honors the life and memory of Aden Spencer Perry; and

(2) offers heartfelt condolences to the family, loved ones, and friends of Aden Perry, and recognizes that Aden’s spirit lives on through them and selfless acts towards strangers in need.

SENATE RESOLUTION 660—EXPRESSING THE CONDOLENCES OF THE SENATE ON THE DEATH OF THE HONORABLE NORMAN Y. MINETA

Mrs. FEINSTEIN (for herself and Mr. PADILLA) submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to:

S. RES. 660

Whereas Norman Yoshio Mineta (referred to in this preamble as “Norman Y. Mineta”) was born in San Jose, California on November 12, 1931;

Whereas, as a young child during World War II, Norman Y. Mineta and his family were unjustly sent to Heart Mountain Relocation Camp in Park County, Wyoming by the United States Government due to their Japanese ancestry;

Whereas Norman Y. Mineta returned to San Jose with his family after World War II, graduated from San Jose High School, and went on to earn a degree in business administration from the University of California, Berkeley;

Whereas Norman Y. Mineta honorably served as a United States Army intelligence officer in Japan and Korea before returning home and joining the insurance business run by his father;

Whereas, in 1967, Norman Y. Mineta became the first person of color to serve on the San Jose City Council and, in 1971, was elected as the 59th Mayor of San Jose, becoming the first Asian American to serve as mayor of a major city in the United States;

Whereas Norman Y. Mineta was elected to the United States House of Representatives in 1974, where he served as president of the freshman class and went on to spend more than 20 years, during which time he never forgot a name;

Whereas Norman Y. Mineta was a champion of civil rights and cosponsored the Civil Liberties Act of 1988 (50 U.S.C. 4211 et seq.), which—

(1) was signed into law by President Ronald W. Reagan; and

(2) expressed a formal apology to the thousands of individuals of Japanese ancestry in the United States who were forced into internment camps during World War II and offered \$20,000 payments to each individual;

Whereas Norman Y. Mineta distinguished himself as an expert on transportation issues and an advocate for mass transit, serving as Chairman of the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure of the House of Representatives;

Whereas Norman Y. Mineta entered the private sector after leaving Congress, but continued to serve the United States as Chairman of the National Civil Aviation Review Commission;

Whereas Norman Y. Mineta was nominated by President William J. Clinton in 2000 to be the United States Secretary of Commerce;

Whereas Norman Y. Mineta was nominated by President George W. Bush in 2001 to serve as the United States Secretary of Transportation;

Whereas, while serving as Secretary of Transportation on September 11, 2001, Norman Y. Mineta secured the airspace of the United States by ordering all civilian air traffic to land immediately and implemented new security protocols to ensure the safety of air travelers;

Whereas Norman Y. Mineta was the loving husband of Danealia Brantner Mineta, and father of David Mineta, Stuart Mineta, Robert Brantner, and Mark Brantner; and

Whereas Norman Y. Mineta was known for his warm personality, commitment to public

service, accessibility and accountability, and passion for his work: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Senate—

(1) has heard with profound sorrow and deep regret the announcement of the death of the Honorable Norman Yoshio Mineta, former member of the United States House of Representatives, former Secretary of Commerce, and former Secretary of Transportation;

(2) respectfully requests the Secretary of the Senate communicate this resolution to the House of Representatives and transmit an enrolled copy of this resolution to the family of Norman Yoshio Mineta; and

(3) when the Senate adjourns today, stands adjourned as a further mark of respect to the memory of the Honorable Norman Yoshio Mineta.

AUTHORITY FOR COMMITTEES TO MEET

Mr. CARDIN. Mr. President, I have 514 requests for committees to meet during today’s session of the Senate. They have the approval of the Majority and Minority Leaders.

Pursuant to rule XXVI, paragraph 5(a), of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the allowing committees are authorized to meet during today’s session of the Senate:

COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, NUTRITION, AND FORESTRY

The Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 26, 2022, at 10 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES

The Committee on Armed Services is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 26, 2022, at 9:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing on a nomination.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

The Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 26, 2022, at 11 a.m., to conduct a business meeting.

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, EDUCATION, LABOR, AND PENSIONS

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 26, 2022, at 10:30 a.m., to conduct a hearing.

COMMITTEE ON THE JUDICIARY

The Committee on the Judiciary is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 26, 2022, at 9 a.m., to conduct an executive business meeting.

SUBCOMMITTEE ON WESTERN HEMISPHERE, TRANSNATIONAL CRIME, CIVILIAN SECURITY, DEMOCRACY, HUMAN RIGHTS, AND GLOBAL WOMEN’S ISSUES

The Subcommittee on Western Hemisphere, Transnational Crime, Civilian Security, Democracy, Human Rights, and Global Women’s Issues of the Committee on Foreign Relations is authorized to meet during the session of the Senate on Thursday, May 26, 2022, at 9 a.m., to conduct a hearing.